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Timely Tidbits ...

Casino, Racing Vote Set for December 2

Romulus voters will decide the fate of two proposals – one on casino gaming, the other on horse racing – at a special election to be held on Tuesday, December 2. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. For more information, contact the city clerk's office: 734-942-7540.

Magna Open House

Romulus residents will have an opportunity to see a thoroughbred horse up close, meet jockeys and trainers, and learn more about the proposed Michigan Downs horse racetrack and entertainment center at Magna Entertainment Corporation's Community Open House & Pancake Breakfast, to be held from 8:30 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 29, at the Romulus Progressive Club (11580 Ozga). For additional information, visit www.michigandowns.com.

Candlelight Service

Crane Funeral Home is inviting community members who have lost loved ones to attend a special memorial service to be held on Monday, December 1, from 7 to 8 p.m. An informative presentation, "Handling the Holidays," will be followed by a beautiful candle-lighting ceremony. To RSVP for the service, call 734-941-9200.

Kids' Books Donated

Youth Services librarian Gurpreet Samra is encouraging parents to bring their children to the Romulus Public Library to explore and enjoy a recent gift of 100 new books for kindergartners and early readers. The books were donated by the Brownstown Book Fund, a private foundation in New York City that's interested in promoting early reading, fostering a love of books, and encouraging parents and children to read together.

Samra joined library director Shelley Delano in thanking Brownstone Book Fund director Diane Brownstone for choosing Romulus to receive her foundation's generous gift. ❑

Retired Councilman Has More Time for Citizens

By Kristi Stephens

Now that he's retired, Romulus City Councilman Bill Wadsworth has more time for the people he cares about most: his family and the citizens of Romulus. After 35 years with the Wayne County Sheriff's Department – the last 20 of them as a sergeant – Wadsworth turned in his badge on June 1, 2003.

"I really loved my job, but I have to tell you: I'm enjoying having more time to spend on my grandkids and my council duties," he told *The Romulus News*.

Wadsworth's law-enforcement career started in 1968, when he went to work at the "Old County Jail" in downtown Detroit. A year later, he joined other Sheriff's Department officers in patrolling the streets of Romulus – a job he continued until the City formed its own police department in 1981.

In 1983, as a freshly promoted sergeant, Wadsworth did another brief stint at the County Jail before being reassigned to the Department's Airport Division. From 1983 to 1991, his duties included supervision of the day shift and the airport's explosives division; from 1991 until his retirement, he was assigned to the uniform division.

During the course of his career, Wadsworth received a total of seven departmental citations, and made good use of the Bachelor of Science Degree in Police Administration that he earned from Madonna College in 1974.

With more time at his disposal, the 21-year councilman has thrown himself wholeheartedly into one of his longtime passions: the construction of a new city animal shelter.

"The current facility is simply not adequate for the job," said Wadsworth. "Conditions are cramped and unsanitary, and there are no rest room facilities for workers. Something has to be done."

Because depleted coffers continue to prevent the City from footing the bill for a new shelter, Wadsworth has turned to the people of Romulus for help.

"Since my council colleagues and I started our fund-raising drive less than a year ago, we've collected nearly $40,000 toward a new shelter," he noted. "The money has come from business people and residents, bingo benefits and student penny-drives. So many people have given their time and money that I could never acknowledge or thank them all. I just pray that they will continue to share my dream, and keep working toward a better facility."

Mo Brennan (left), kindergarten teacher at Cory Elementary School, recently presented Romulus City Councilman Bill Wadsworth and animal control officer Kim Matthews with a donation of $52 – raised by students through a classroom penny drive – for the New Romulus Animal Shelter Fund. Since his retirement, Wadsworth has had more time to devote to his animal shelter campaign and other city-related issues.

Wadsworth hopes that his fellow citizens won't forget their furry friends during the holidays. "Searching for the perfect Christmas gift? Adopt a pet and have it spayed or neutered," he suggested. "Looking for a way to remember the postman and the news carrier? Make donations in their names to the New Romulus Animal Shelter Fund."

Wadsworth has also spent a good deal of time investigating development proposals, including the recently approved Metro World Centre as well as the casino and racetrack projects currently being considered by the City ... and Romulus voters.

"I've done a lot of research – enough to learn that there are plenty of myths mixed in with the facts and figures being bandied about," he explained.

"We've been given a unique and attractive opportunity, and I hope that the residents will consider taking advantage of it. As an individual citizen, I intend to vote for both proposals on December 2, but as a councilman, I will be guided by the voters, and let them dictate the path that our city will take."

Other long-term projects on the city councilman's agenda include the pursuit of a new recreation center, a new senior-citizens center, and improved basic services for all residents.

Wadsworth's personal life is also benefiting from his newfound leisure. He continues to bowl once a week ... he'll be taking a Caribbean cruise in December ... and he's also spending more time with his family: wife Jean; sons Jimmy (and his wife Toni), John (and his wife Julie), and Bill (and his wife Jamie); and, most importantly, his grandchildren: Sarah, Andrew, and Elizabeth.

When asked about his plans, Wadsworth replied that he's not looking too far into the future right now. He isn't sure whether he will seek reelection in 2005 – although he probably will – nor does he know if he'll ever go back to work.

"I suppose that, if I got bored, I'd consider taking another job – but I'm certainly not there yet," he said. "Right now, I'm enjoying my life and my family, and I'm looking forward to working even harder for the people in the Romulus community." ❑

From the Editor

By Kristi Stephens

Through talking to people around town, it has come to our attention that many residents believe they must *choose between* Proposal 1 and Proposal 2 in the special election to be held on Tuesday, December 2.

That is not true.

Voters may choose from among four options:

- support of *both* proposals;
- support of *only* Proposal 1 (casino gambling);
- support of *only* Proposal 2 (horse racing); or
- support of *neither* proposal.

We'll be voting for *both* proposals. Whether or not you plan to do the same, we hope to see you at the polls. Make *your* voice is heard on December 2. ❑

Letters to the Editor

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Willis Urges "No" Votes

To the Editor:

I agree with Kristi Stephens when she says that it is normally not the place of newspapers to endorse political candidates or take stances on ballot issues. I take the same stance as a member of the clerical community of Romulus.

Likewise, I agree with her statement that this election, no matter the outcome, will have a major impact on our city.

But we *differ greatly* on the desired outcome of this election, and I feel that I must speak out because it is also my job to be a dependable resource that the voters of Romulus can trust. I am looking forward to the citizens of Romulus voting "NO" on both Proposal 1 and 2 because, as Ms. Stephens stated, it *is* a matter of economics and lifestyle.

The City of Romulus may, in fact, be in a bind for dollars that would increase the level of services for new residents. But the solution for those dollars will not be found in allowing casino gambling and racetracks into this area.

There has been so much talk about how much money the casino and racetrack will bring to Romulus. But those who are pulling for this to happen here in Romulus need to look at Detroit. Detroit is an amazing city with so much potential. It was said that if casinos were brought to Detroit, the same great things would magically happen there. A large portion of the money that the casinos paid to the city was supposed to be used to save Detroit's troubled school system. But, every day, there is a new news story of the grief in the school system, and most of its problems are related to lack of cash. The money made from the increased tax benefit was going to be used to improve city services, but, to date, the citizens of Detroit have yet to see these improvements.

Where is the benefit for the city? The benefit comes in having to hire additional police officers to patrol around the casino and deal with the spike in crime that has resulted from the casinos. The benefit comes in having to now deal with a "new" poor that has come about as a result of having spent all their money in these casinos without regard for their families. The benefit has come in the increasing lack of bed space at the local shelters because there are more and more families that are displaced due to the ills of an addiction to casino and racetrack gambling. Is this a price that Romulus is willing to pay? Can we afford to pay this price?

I cannot dispute the fact that these two proposals will bring some money and some jobs. But the jobs that will be offered to our citizens are lower-level jobs. Any job requiring even the smallest amount of expertise will be set aside for those who are already part of these organizations. All money is not good money, and at what cost to this community are we, the residents and business owners of Romulus, going to have to pay for this? The money that will result will be needed to change the makeup of the community of Romulus from a small-town feel to a city behind the times in dealing with sophisticated and desperate criminals that will descend upon us like vultures. Can we really afford this here in Romulus? Those who want this – the Indian tribe and the large corporations – are the ones who will profit the most, and the residents of Romulus are the ones who are going to get the short end of the stick.

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Letters to the Editor

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Is Romulus as desperate for dollars as Ms. Stephens stated in her editorial? I am not sure. But I do feel that Romulus is desperate for budgeting and restraint. Most residents of Romulus survive on a limited monthly income. But that survival is only possible because of budgeting and restraint. If you give anyone a stack of blank checks, there is going to be overspending. But, in order to make the best of what we have, government has to learn to live like the residents, and budget the money that it has.

Money and growth are coming to Romulus. Look at all the subdivisions that are popping up all around the city. This growth will definitely bring the increased revenues that the City of Romulus needs. And, in considering this fact, you must also consider why these businesses and residents have chosen Romulus as their new home. Why? Because Romulus is a city with very little crime. Casinos and racetracks are magnets for crime, and with that crime comes increased insurance, lower property values, and a dramatic increase in the need for police. Romulus was their choice as home in an effort to get away from casinos. Why would you, a resident of Romulus, want to trade the security we have now for the insecurity that casinos and racetracks would bring?

Look at the cities neighboring Romulus – Canton, Taylor, Westland. These cities were all small cities like Romulus at one time. Over time, they kept their focus, and have grown into great, family-centered communities that have attracted the attention of new residents, retailers, and golf courses. As a result, they have the types of communities that the residents of Romulus seek to have here, and what they have is attainable. But it is important to note that they did not use casinos and racetracks to achieve it.

If Romulus keeps on the steady path of growth it is on, we are sure to see a drastic, positive change here – change that will attract additional people to this area; change that will, in turn, draw the businesses that the city has been seeking for years. Don't just take my word for it; do the research. Visit the communities that I have mentioned and then decide.

It is my sincere hope that you will decide against these proposals and vote a resounding "NO" on December 2. Romulus will be a top-notch community, but not with casinos and racetracks.

Reverend Arthur C. Willis
(protecting the Gateway to the World)

Miller Urges "Yes" on #2

To the Editor:

These are difficult times in Romulus. Many residents in our community are losing their jobs and their homes. Michigan's budget deficit is over $900 million and Romulus, like communities across the state, is facing drastic cuts in funding.

Romulus needs jobs and revenue, and we need them now. We have the opportunity on Tuesday, December 2, to do something about these pressing needs. I believe Proposal 2 – the racetrack proposal – is our best and quickest catalyst for economic development, revenue growth, and jobs. Once our city's administrative process has been completed, Magna Entertainment Corporation's project at the northwest corner of Wick and Vining roads can be operational in just 18 months! They own the land, they will develop and operate the facility, they have a great track record, and they are ready to go.

The project Magna wants to build *now* in our community will create thousands of jobs and generate millions of dollars for our city and schools. It is estimated that, once the project is built, Magna's payments to Romulus will equal around $875 per year per household in Romulus.

It is also important to understand that this is not just a thoroughbred horse racing track, as exciting as that may be. It is also an entertainment facility for concerts, graduations, proms, weddings, anniversaries, conventions, and world-class dining. It will offer retail shops along with a research and development office complex, which may be a catalyst for other Magna Automotive interests.

As many of you know already, I have publicly stated my support for the Magna project after studying this opportunity very carefully. I know that Magna is committed to the communities in which it locates. Those communities have experienced the benefits of worldwide recognition. We have patiently waited for an opportunity of this magnitude for two decades. While I am impressed with the benefits projected by proponents of the casino, there is no question that we, the citizens of Romulus, will see the equally attractive benefits of the Magna mixed-use development much sooner and with far more certainty.

Having been a union worker all my life, I can relate to the needs of a working family. I have personally discussed this proposal with fellow citizens, and many believe that passing Proposal 2 is critical to the future of our town. The time to do something about job and revenue is *now*. With heartfelt confidence, I believe the Magna project can provide the level of employment, economic growth, and recognition our community needs to become full and vibrant. Voting "Yes" on Proposal 2 December 2 will provide the first opportunity for growth in our city in the past 20 years.

Respectfully,
Charles R. Miller
Romulus City Councilman

City "Plug" Questioned

To the Editor:

In the "Editorials and Opinions" section of the November 18, 2003 issue of *The Detroit News*, Kathleen Trent, Director of Public Relations for the City of Romulus, had an article published that extolled the virtues of allowing a Native American-owned casino in Romulus. It was obviously intended to influence the vote in the December 2 ballot issue on allowing a casino and racetrack in the city. I have two problems with Ms. Trent's article.

First, her article appears to be a violation of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act. The City cannot authorize the use of funds or personnel (or a long list of other things) to influence the vote in the election of candidates to office or on ballot issues. There is an exception for elected or appointed public officials who have policy-making responsibilities. I don't think Ms. Trent falls into that category. The only other exception would be for the dissemination of *factual* information *relevant to the function of the public body*.

That brings me to my second problem with her article. It is replete with vague promises of benefits, not to the city or its residents, but to Michigan and the region. She says, "If approved, the proposals will bring an estimated 5,000 new jobs to Michigan. Many of them are good union jobs with an average wage of $40,000 a year." There is no factual basis presented to support this "estimate" or identify its source.

Even if it is a legitimate function of city government to create jobs, it surely should be only for city residents. Ms. Trent ignores the fact that the Chippewa Tribe's first loyalty and obligation is to members of its tribe who would be expected to pick off any good jobs.

Ms. Trent cites the City of Detroit's two-year gaming revenue of $170 million (for three casinos) as the type of benefit to a community from casinos. What she doesn't disclose is that any money for the City from the casino would be in lieu of property taxes that a non-tax-exempt occupant would pay. It could be a break-even proposition or the City could even lose revenue in the deal.

The revenue stream from a tribal casino would be unpredictable. The State compact calls for the casino to provide 3% of its *net* revenue from electronic gaming devices (basically slot machines). The numbers are subject to manipulation by clever accountants, and whatever net profit is determined has to be split three ways among the host county, school district, and city. A downturn in gaming activity would affect the money received from the casino. If the casino lost money, the City would get nothing.

Finally, Ms. Trent says, "A Romulus casino will only complement the existing Detroit casinos." That statement is disingenuous at best. Studies show that another casino would unfavorably impact not only existing casinos, but also the state lottery.

The contract that the Chippewa Tribe signed with the City of Detroit has a non-competition clause within a radius of 150 miles. If the tribe operates a casino in Romulus, the case will almost certainly be litigated and the property could be tied up for years with no revenue to our city, county, or schools.

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Guest Commentary

"YES" on Proposal 2 = Dollars, Jobs

Dear Citizens of Romulus:

The spotlight of development shines upon you and your city. The investment in road and airport improvements made over the last several years by the State, County, and City has attracted a potential $400-million development which will turn Romulus into a destination point that will be known nationally and internationally.

In order to attract that investment, you have to vote "yes" on Proposal 2 on December 2 to tell your elected officials you want the Michigan Downs project!

The first phase that Magna Entertainment Corporation will build is a $200-million multipurpose entertainment and office complex on Wick Road. The first phase of the development will be a thoroughbred racetrack with exhibit grounds, restaurants, and an entertainment pavilion that could host up to 8,000 people for concerts, car shows, and other community events. In addition, an automotive research and development center is part of the project.

The entertainment complex and office building development will provide approximately 1,400 jobs on site, with enough spending in the community to generate another 550 jobs. The range of jobs is as broad as it gets: from veterinarians to valet parkers; broadcasters to bartenders; carpenters to cooks and clerks; electricians to engineers; horse trainers, riders, and grooms; maintenance to marketing and management. There will be a need for literally every skill set. In addition to providing a diverse range of jobs, it is estimated that Michigan Downs will generate approximately $5.1 million per year for the City of Romulus in taxes and fees. That amounts to $603 per household in new revenue for the City.

Magna's vision doesn't stop there. The company would like to add a major shopping center and office complex to the site once Romulus has been put on the national destination map. The jobs and taxes that would come with the second phase would increase the benefit to Romulus to approximately $1,000 per household and 4,500 jobs.

We have analyzed many developments over the years that were well-intentioned "when the market develops" projects. Magna Entertainment owns the land and is prepared to build and operate Michigan Downs for the opportunity that exists now in Michigan. Magna has already invested almost $30 million to acquire the land and design the project, and they are not asking for any tax breaks. Construction can begin within three to four months after the City Council grants approval, but that will only happen with a "YES" vote on Proposal 2. In a state and country with little growth in jobs, the spotlight of development is on Romulus.

Yours truly,
Lawrence R. Marantette
Principal, Taktix Solutions

Taktix Solutions is a real estate project management company that provides independent evaluations of proposed development projects. They were retained by Magna Entertainment to analyze the job-creation and tax-generation benefits of the Michigan Downs project.

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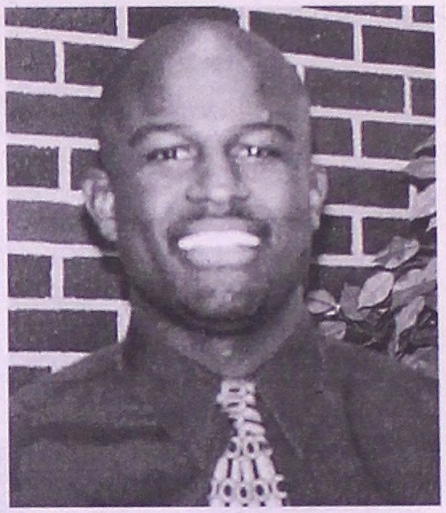
Ed Horn Named Tech Director

The Romulus Community Schools has named a new technology director, Ed Horn, who will step into the vacancy created by the retirement of former director Linda Cook last summer.

Horn holds a Bachelor's Degree in History Education from Maranatha College (Watertown, WI) and a Master's Degree in Curriculum and Technology from the University of Phoenix.

The enthusiastic Horn, who is already familiar with Romulus due to a previous teaching position at the High School (1998–2001), said that he is "looking foward to the challenges of his new position" in the district. His experience includes the development of Websites and various multimedia programs in Wisconsin's Watertown and Slinger school districts, as well as in the Dearborn Heights #7 district in Michigan.

Horn had a noteworthy high-school career at Intercity Baptist High School in Allen Park. He was the first recipient of the school's prestigious "Principal's Award"; a member of both the regional championship basketball team and the National Honor Society; and a kindergarten student teacher in a special "future teachers" program.



Ed Horn

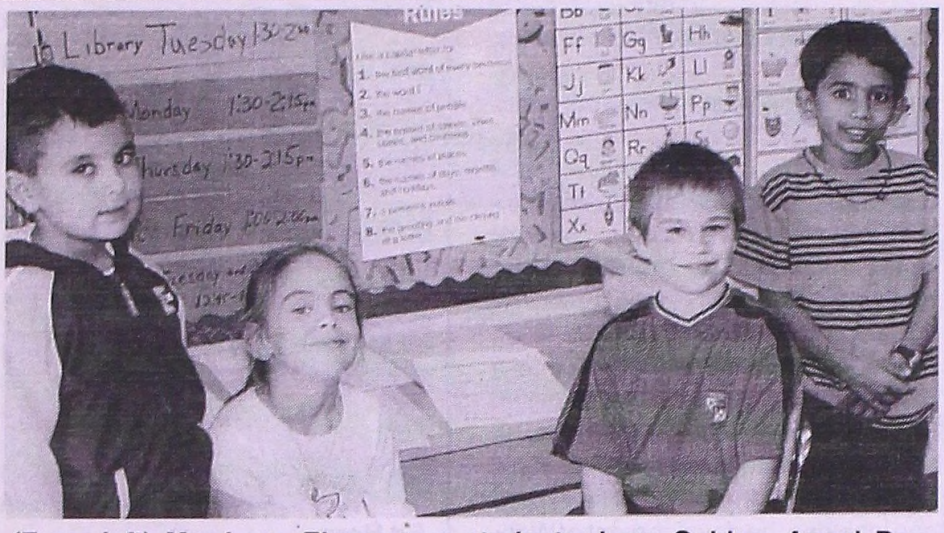
While at Maranatha College, Horn was elected class president, and distinguished himself as both an award-winning public speaker and member of the school's basketball team. He was also involved in community-service activities with various boys' homes and church organizations.

Director Horn is married to Kelley, his wife of six years, and has two children: a four-year-old son Aidan and a three-year-old daughter Cya. ❑

Magician Presents Spooktacular Show

Wick Elementary School's recent Halloween Spooktacular assertive-discipline assembly featured magician Gordon Russ. Here, Russ places a plain handkerchief into a bag and then (with the help of "temporary assistant" Elexus Lee) – Presto! – pulls out something much more appropriate for the fall holiday season.

Students Sign Safety Pledge



(From left) Merriman Elementary students Jerry Golden, Angel Day, Nickolas Bovitz, and Raymond Sheikh prepare to sign the new School Safety Pledge. All six Romulus Community Schools elementaries are participating in this program.

Students in all six of the Romulus school district's elementary schools are taking part in a state program that focuses on safety. Officials hope that this program will help communities recognize the importance of everyone working together to provide safer schools.

As part of the new safety program, students at Barth, Cory, Halecreek, Merriman, Romulus, and Wick elementary schools have signed a pledge that states:

- I want my school to be a place where all students feel safe and treat each other with respect.
- I will not bully, tease, or hurt anyone. If I hear bullying or teasing, I will tell the person to stop and tell an adult.
- I will tell an adult right away if I hear anyone threaten another person.
- I will immediately tell an adult if a student brings something to school that could hurt someone.

Merriman principal Shellie Moore said that her students have also viewed and discussed a special "no bullying" video, and that parents have been asked to sign the School Safety Pledge as well. Student disputes that do occur are often resolved by the school's exceptional peer mediation team, she added.

At Romulus Elementary, teachers set aside a special time for dealing with bullying through Team Talks. Teachers discuss the definition of bullying, give examples of bullying behaviors, offer strategies that students can use if they are bullied or threatened, and suggest ways that students can help out if they witness someone else being bullied.

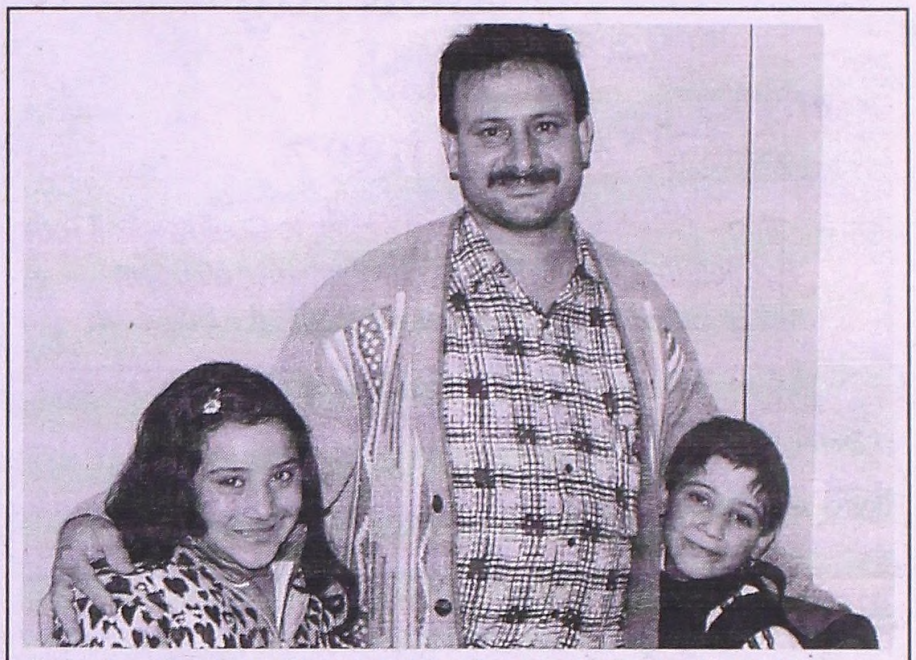
Selassica O'Flynn, social worker at Romulus Elementary, said, "Teachers encourage students to be positive role models for their peers, and give frequent verbal praise for their good deeds."

The school has also instituted a "Hats Off to ..." program that rewards students for assisting someone in bullying situations.

Barth Elementary has initiated a program that enables students to win a wide variety of gifts and school supplies by being "Caught Caring" for others. A student who is observed helping someone else receives a Caught Caring card, and thereby becomes eligible for a special weekly reward drawing.

"Our drawing gifts are colorfully displayed in the main hall showcase as an incentive," noted Barth social worker Susan Mitchell, adding, "The students have shown a very favorable response to the program." ❑

Donuts for Dads at Merriman School



Enjoying Merriman Elementary's "Donuts for Dads" breakfast were Mohammad Siddiqui, his daughter Aaminah, and his son Rashid.

Father Richard Mecas posed with daughter Brelyn and son Devin.

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Academic Achievement Breakfast Honors Top RHS Students

The annual Romulus High School Academic Achievement Breakfast honored 64 students for outstanding academic work. The students were recognized for two, four, or six consecutive appearances on the Principal's Honor Roll, which requires a minimum grade point average of 3.5.

Speakers at the breakfast included Dan Hurst, principal, and Joel R. Carr, superintendent.

Hurst welcomed the students and their parents to the festive occasion, which was held in the school media center. He then tested the talents of this special group with some "teasers" before congratulating the students on their impressive achievements and thanking the parents for their continued support.

Carr also congratulated the young scholars, and challenged them to continue their good work throughout high school and college. After a quick scan of the parents in the audience, he drew considerable laughter by observing, "Many of you were students at the high school when I was principal only a few years ago."

Assistant principals Don Foley and Doug Hoffman were also on hand to help with the presentations. The award-winning RHS culinary arts program, under the direction of Charles Usztics and Angelica Richardson, provided the eagle carved-ice sculpture and the meal.

Students making the Principal's Honor Roll for two consecutive semesters were: Carla Anderson, Kathryn Appel, Samantha Arnett-Butscher, Charmaine Atkins, Megan Bearman, Lindsay Beregsasy, Bradley Bills, Ronald Carter, Chrystal Coleman, Adam Delay, Brittney Garrison, Doloris Garry, Dean Gilbert, Amber Gondek, Sarah Herbert, Ashley Horyn, Shannon Kowalski, Jennifer Lammers, Courtney MacDougall, Krystle McKay, Jonathan McLachlan, Ashley Moss, Tiffany Motsch, Amanda Nowicki, Kristine Plank, Patricia Silvey, Casey Stevenson, Dennis Suiter, Jamie Suiter, Iesha Taylor, Ashlee Wells, Megan Whalen, and Amanda Willingham.

Honorees for four consecutive semesters were: Darnell Anderson, Kristen Atchley, Jazmine Bennett, Tiffany Block, Ronnie Brown, Latoya Flint, Roy Hollis, Daniel Kinney, Mallori Losacco, Antoinette Nelson, Hanya Ombima, Philip Roscoe, Sawaira Sheikh, Jessica Shelton, Paulette Stanford, Matthew Steffani, Joann Tieppo, Kimberly Wilson, Lashonda Windham, and Ashley Wright.

Six-semester honorees were: Deborah Anderson, Natalie Blake, Kenneth Booker, Jessica Frost, Toni Gibson, Patrick McCollum, LaJoya Orr, Kristina Rafalski, Britany Sawdy, Sara Schulz, and Ryan Tackett. ❑

Romulus High School students honored for four consecutive appearances on the Principal's Honor Roll included: (from left) front – Jazmine Bennett, Ashley Wright, Lashonda Windham, Jessica Shelton, Antoinette Nelson, Ronnie Brown, Sawaira Sheikh, Kristen Atchley, and Kimberly Wilson; back – Latoya Flint, Hanya Ombima, Mallori Losacco, Darnell Anderson, Matthew Steffani, Roy Hollis, Philip Roscoe, and Daniel Kinney. (Not pictured: Tiffany Block, Paulette Stanford, and Joann Tieppo.)

Students making the prestigious Principal's Honor Roll six consecutive times included: (from left) front – Britany Sawdy and Deborah Anderson; back – Toni Gibson, Sara Schulz, Kenneth Booker, Natalie Blake, Ryan Tackett, Patrick McCollum, and LaJoya Orr. (Not pictured: Jessica Frost and Kristina Rafalski.)

Romulus Community Schools officials on hand to congratulate the honorees were (from left) Cheryle Buckley (vice-president, Board of Education), Joel R. Carr (superintendent), and Ken Mientkiewicz (trustee, Board of Education).

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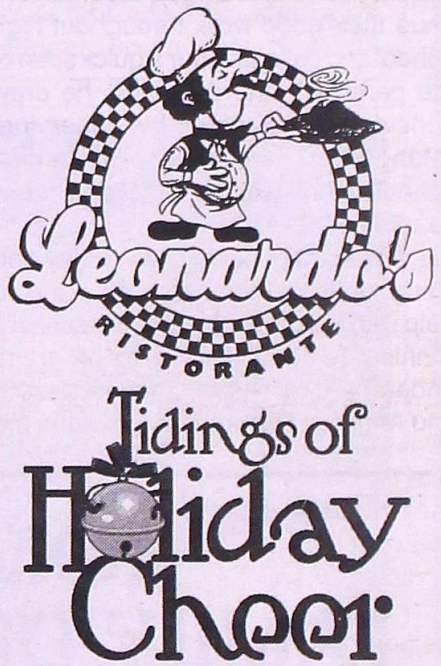

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Local Holiday Events

Be sure to make time in your busy holiday schedule to attend one or more of the following festive programs.

Table Settings for the Holidays

The Romulus Literary Club invites you to come and experience its festive "Table Settings for the Holidays" display, set for 12 to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, December 3, at Romulus Progressive Hall (11580 Ozga). You're sure to come away with plenty of ideas for your own gatherings!

A suggested donation of $2 to $5 per person will benefit "First Step" – an organization for victims of domestic violence and/or sexual abuse.

Santa Arrives for Tree-lighting

The City of Romulus will kick off the holiday season on Friday, December 5, when Santa will make his official arrival just in time for the annual tree-lighting.

The fun will begin at Romulus Historic Park (located on Hunt Street near the post office), when the Romulus Historical Society and the Romulus Historical Commission will open the museum and the historic Kingsley house – both decorated for the season – from 5 to 7 p.m. Exhibits will include tabletop Christmas trees bedecked in the style of various eras (museum) and, new this year, a display of vintage hats (Kingsley house). A guitar/dulcimer combo will perform Civil War-era music (Kingsley house); light refreshments will be served (museum).

At 6:30 p.m., Santa will arrive at the park, where Mayor Alan R. Lambert will present him with a key to the city and enlist his help to light the city tree.

Afterward, the Romulus Recreation Department is inviting everyone to Progressive Hall (11580 Ozga Road, near Five Points) to visit with Santa, enjoy light refreshments, and have a picture made with the Jolly Old Elf.

Photos with Santa are $2 each. All other events are free to Romulus residents. For more information, please call 734-942-6852.

Tree-trim at the Library

The Romulus Public Library (11121 South Wayne Road, at Goddard) invites children and adults of all ages to take part in its annual Holiday Tree-trimming Party, set for Saturday, December 6, at 10 a.m. Those who attend will enjoy some good, old-fashioned fun (including the stringing of popcorn and cranberries for garland), and will also have a chance to make two ornaments – one for the Library's tree, one to take home.

Although there is no charge to participate, preregistration (by Wednesday, December 3) is required. For more information, call 734-942-7589.

Craft Show

The Romulus Band Boosters will be hosting a craft show from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, December 6, in the cafeteria at Romulus High School (9650 South Wayne Road, north of I-94). The fund-raising event will feature many items that are perfect for holiday decorating and gift-giving, including ornaments, candles, jewelry, pillow cases, and homemade candy. Other highlights will include raffles and door prizes.

Everyone is welcome.

Decorating Contest

The City's annual outdoor-decorating contest offers two ways to get into the holiday spirit. If you choose to enter your home (or the home of a friend or neighbor) in the contest, all you have to do is call the Recreation Department (734-942-6852) to register your name and address no later than 12 p.m. on Wednesday, December 10.

But you don't have to take part in the competition to take part in the fun! Why not register to be a judge, instead?

A bus will depart from the Recreation Center at 6 p.m. on Thursday, December 11, to tour all the entries and judge the contest, for which first-, second-, and third-place prizes ($100, $25, and $15, respectively) will be awarded.

Cost of the tour is $1. Preregister at the Recreation Center (36515 Bibbins).

Lunch with Santa

The Recreation Department is inviting local youngsters and their families to come down to the Center (36515 Bibbins) on Saturday, December 13, to share lunch and story-time with Santa Claus. Guests are asked to arrive beginning at 11:30 a.m. for an 11:45 a.m. lunch (hot dogs, chips, and dessert), to be followed by story-time and pictures with Santa ($2 each) at 12:15 p.m.

Preregistration *must* be made by 12 p.m. on Thursday, December 11. Call 734-942-6852 for further information.

Winter Concert

The annual Romulus High School/ Romulus Middle School Winter Concert will be held at the High School (9650 South Wayne Road, north of I-94) on Thursday, December 18, at 7 p.m.

There is no charge for admission.

Breakfast with Santa

St. Aloysius Catholic School (37200 Neville) will host its annual Breakfast with Santa program from 8:30 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, December 20, in the school cafeteria. An all-you-can-eat breakfast will feature eggs, sausage, hash browns, bagels, pastries, fresh fruit, cereal, fruit juice, and coffee.

Other highlights of the program will include a photo with Santa (included in price of admission; additional photos will be $2 each), holiday crafting (included in admission price), a bake sale, and a "Secret Santa Shop for Youngsters" featuring inexpensive gifts and complimentary gift-wrapping.

Tickets (available at the door) will be $6 for adults; $5 for children ages 3 and up. Children under 3 eat free (photo and craft not included). All proceeds will be used to defer the cost of the school's Chicago field trip, set for next spring.

For more information, call St. Aloysius School: 734-941-3340.

Letters to Santa

The Romulus Civic League is again sponsoring its "Santa's Mailbox" program. Local children who drop their letters to Santa into the colorful box that will soon be on display in front of City Hall (11111 South Wayne Road) will get a personal reply. Letters must be "posted" by Saturday, December 20.

The Nutcracker

Seeing a performance of *The Nutcracker* is a holiday tradition for many people – and, although it involves a visit to Downtown Detroit rather than Downtown Romulus, it's well worth the trip.

The Cincinnati Ballet will present its lavish and colorful *Nutcracker* production at the Detroit Opera House December 5–14. For performance times, ticket prices, and other information, please visit www.MichiganOpera.org or call 313-237-SING. ❑

Romulus Goodfellow Applications Now Available; Donations Sought

Applications Available

The Romulus Goodfellow organization – in keeping with its continuing pledge, "No child (or senior citizen) without a Christmas" – will accept applications for its annual holiday assistance program now through December 12. Applications may be picked up at Romulus City Hall (11111 South Wayne Road), the Romulus Police Department (11165 Olive), or Romulus Fire Station #4 (28777 Eureka Road) during normal business hours.

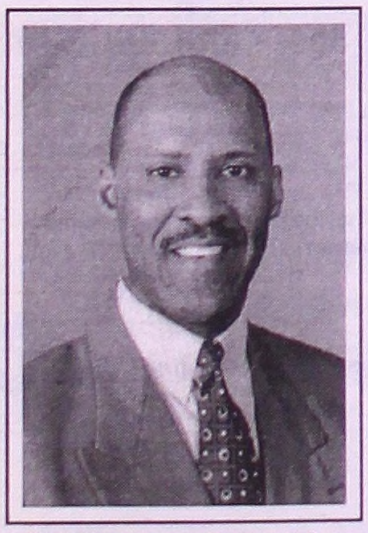
All applicants must provide proof of income and a photo ID demonstrating Romulus residency, and should be prepared for a brief interview to help the Goodfellows determine their level of need.

Paper Drive Set; Other Donations Also Welcome

The annual Romulus Goodfellow newspaper drive will be held on Friday, December 5, and Saturday, December 6, at intersections throughout the city.

Please give generously; by doing so, you'll be helping a neighbor in need have a happy holiday season.

Also welcome are donations of new, unwrapped toys; items such as coats, hats, and mittens; nonperishable food; and/or cash or gift certificates. Donations may be dropped off at Romulus City Hall (11111 South Wayne Road), the Romulus Police Department (11165 Olive), or Romulus Fire Station #4 (28777 Eureka Road) during normal business hours.



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Season's Greetings

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Cory Hosts Great Space Adventure

Nearly 70 students and parents – including Darnell Hearst and his daughter Devon – attended Cory Elementary's Great Space Adventure, organized by school social worker Sally Berger. The event, held at the University of Michigan–Ann Arbor, featured hands-on activities such as building/launching rockets, designing/flying balsa-wood gliders, and building space shuttles/stations.

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STUDY SESSION, NOVEMBER 17, 2003

The Study Session of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, November 17, 2003, was called to order by President Betty Lenossi at 5:30 p.m.

Roll call showed Board members Lenossi, Cheryle Buckley, April Frayer, Celeste Roscoe, Kenneth Mientkiewicz, and Niema White present. Member Michael Woods was excused. Administrators present were Joel R. Carr, Superintendent; Thomas Dolan, Director of Curriculum; and Ed Clark, Director of Human Resources. William A. Routhier, Director of Business and Operations, was excused.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Lenossi.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

11/03/11 Moved by Mientkiewicz supported by Buckley to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Member Michael Woods entered the meeting at 5:37 p.m.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Initiatives Review – Tom Dolan

Mr. Thomas Dolan, Director of Curriculum, updated the Board of Education with regard to Achievement Initiatives and Chronology, Overall Goals, Economy, Challenges, Curriculum, Technology, Parent Participation, Professional Development, Mentor Highlights, EDP/IEP Highlights, Extended Opportunities, Assessment Highlights, Scientifically Researched Teaching Strategies, Accreditation, District Distinctions, and Student Support.

Policy Committee Report – Celeste Roscoe

Mrs. Celeste Roscoe, Chairperson of the Policy Committee, spoke to the Board relative to proposed policies. Policies are to be placed on the Board agenda with changes for adoption at the regular scheduled meeting on November 24, 2003.

Other Policy Considerations

The Board of Education will review policies on the use of cell phones in schools.

ADJOURNMENT:

11/03/12 Moved by Frayer supported by White that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
April Frayer, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

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REGULAR MEETING, NOVEMBER 10, 2003

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, November 10, 2003, was called to order by President Betty Lenossi at 6:30 p.m.

Roll call showed all Board members present. All administrators were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Lenossi.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

11/03/01 Moved by Woods supported by Mientkiewicz to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

11/03/02 Moved by White supported by Mientkiewicz to approve the Minutes of October 27, 2003, as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Personnel Actions

Mr. Ed Clark Director of Human Resources, offered the following personnel actions:

Separation Agreement and Release and Discharge of All Claims/Retirement

11/03/03 Moved by Woods supported by Mientkiewicz that the Board of Education approve the Separation Agreement and Release and Discharge of All Claims/Retirement for Mr. Frank Zarzycki, Industrial Education Teacher at Romulus Middle School, effective January 23, 2004, as presented by Mr. Ed Clark, Director of Human Resources. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Discontinuance of Service and Termination of Employment – Physical Education Teacher

11/03/04 Moved by Woods supported by Frayer that the Board of Education terminate Mr. Michael Mickevicius, Physical Education Teacher at Romulus Middle School, effective November 10, 2003. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Bills for Payment

11/03/05 Moved by Mientkiewicz supported by Roscoe that the Board approve the Bills for Payment as presented by Mr. William A. Routhier, Director for Business and Operations. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Presentation – School Community Committee

Ms. Phyllis Adkins and Ms. Molly McGlynn spoke on the Principal's Reading at Home Program, Reading Is Fundamental program, and A Few Good Men Mentoring Program, in addition to the goals and objectives of the School Community Committee.

Surplus Equipment – High School Lab

11/03/06 Moved by White supported by Frayer that the Board of Education declare surplus one (1) outboard motor testing tank and Hartzell Dynamometer at Romulus High School. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Declaring Surplus Cafeteria Tables at Barth

11/03/07 Moved by Mientkiewicz supported by Buckley that the Board of Education declare surplus eight (8) cafeteria tables at Barth Elementary. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Scheduling of Study Session

The Board of Education scheduled a study session for Monday, November 17, 2003 at 5:30 p.m. for the purposes of discussing district initiatives and school district policies.

Communications and Expressions from the Public

Mr. Michael Mickevicius appeared before the Board to discuss his job status.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Mr. Joel R. Carr, Superintendent, shared the following items of interest with members of the Board: a) Parenting and Grandparenting Groups – Halecreek; b) Halecreek Elementary Newsletter; c) Romulus Elementary Newsletter; d) Romulus Middle School Newsletter; and e) Wick Elementary Newsletter.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Mrs. Celeste Roscoe informed the Board that there was a craft show at Barth on November 15, 2003. Mrs. Roscoe further informed the Board that Romulus Middle School is looking for donations of coats for the needy. She also asked about the bond money, questioned as to whether all the issues relative to the bond monies had been addressed, and suggested the possibility that an open house could be held for all Romulus residents. Mr. Michael Woods concurred with Mrs. Roscoe, and stated that we have one of the best districts in Wayne County. Mr. Kenneth Mientkiewicz stated that he attended a meeting, and that cuts by the State could be even worse than the MEA proposal. Mr. Mientkiewicz also stated that Romulus is a great district. Mrs. Betty Lenossi asked that the proposal for millage reduction be addressed in the *Perspective*. She further spoke on the Crisis Response Guide. She was concerned about the ways the buses wrap around the building, and will take this up with the Crisis Response Committee.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

11/03/08 Moved by Woods supported by Buckley to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations. Roll call vote showed: Ayes: White, Mientkiewicz, Roscoe, Woods, Frayer, Buckley, and Lenossi. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 7:21 P.M.

11/03/09 Moved by Lenossi supported by Frayer that the Board convene in Regular Session. Roll call vote showed: Ayes: White, Mientkiewicz, Roscoe, Woods, Frayer, Buckley, and Lenossi. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board reconvened in Regular Session at 7:36 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

11/03/10 Moved by Buckley supported by Roscoe that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
April Frayer, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

Romulus Students Honored for Academics, Attendance

Congratulations to the following students, whose dedication earned them recognition for the first card marking of the 2003–2004 school year.

Barth Elementary

ALL A's

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Gursky

Vanessa Bishop, Travis LaPorte.

Fourth Grade – Mr. Jastrzab

Travis Bergman, Dayna Hearod, Savannah Moffat, Jimmy VanAssche.

Fifth Grade – Mrs. Kline

Jesse McGrane, Jennifer Sylvester.

Fifth Grade – Ms. Napolitano

Aprell Arthur, Haleigh Bavol, Caitlyn Britz, Hallie Laginess, Kelsey Sharrow.

Sixth Grade – Mr. Blackburn

Ashley Wagle.

HONOR ROLL

Grades 4–6 – Mr. Legg

Robert Bodis, Lawrence Dawson, Lenda Francois, Joshua Martinez, Reondre Mathews, Jon Reed, Joshua Saltmarshall, Najee Treadwell, Camille Wilson.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Gursky

Derrian Cooley, Raymond Halimon, Christopher Householder, Grace Jendritz, Rosalyn Lovelady, Sherrod Mack, Joshua Rodgers, Anthony Silvey, Alexis Steverson, Kelsey Sudol, Robert Tomlinson.

Fourth Grade – Mr. Jastrzab

Holly Hammond, Briyonne Holt, Taylor Kuss, Chantel Roberts, Miranda Sapp, Benjamin Satterlee, John Watts.

Fifth Grade – Mrs. Kline

Daniel Akers, Katelynn Buyers, Dai'Janae Byers-Davis, Robert Hayes, Courtnee Johnson, Emily Lewkowicz.

Fifth Grade – Ms. Napolitano

Christopher Britz, Ciera Crout, Spencer DeFelice, Rodney Halimon, Iysha Martin, Amanda Wagle.

Sixth Grade – Mr. Baty

Erica Hayes, Breana Keels, Michael Lovelady, Tiffany Nerone, Daijah Street, Sheila Watts.

Sixth Grade – Mr. Blackburn

Kelly Kovacs, John Lewkowicz, John Nathaniel, Sheila Reeves, Christopher Reyna, Brianna Shreve, Brittany Wilkewitz.

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PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Kindergarten – Mrs. LaBoda

Kevin Beard, Tyler Garland, Russell Halimon, MacKenna Sauers, Cameron White.

Kindergarten – Mrs. Richard

Jackson Arold, Zachary Dean-Luczak, Austin Falsetti, Brendan Greene, Branden Hayes, Julie Littler, Alissa Milspaugh, Adrian Pirone, McKenzie Shaw, Jada Street.

First Grade – Mrs. Brim

Amir Butler, Shelby Calhoun, Evan Finegan, Raven Halimon, Heather Marchwinski, Alexis Paige, and Devon Rankin.

First Grade – Mrs. Russell

Kaitlynn Bortz, Sierra Coleman, Clare Freeman, Marquita Gilliam, Kiara Merriweather, Elisabeth Mullins.

Second Grade – Mrs. Montroy and Mrs. Withey

Cheyenne Adams, Donielle Elam, Matthew Eldridge, Ian Kerr, Lexus Kersey.

Second Grade – Mrs. Motyka

Cody Calhoun, Bethany Elam, Brittany Gilmer, Tyler Robertson, Shianne Wendland.

Third Grade – Ms. Siegenthaler

Desiree Clemons, Jeremy Frayer, Alyssa Garland, Ryan Halimon, Steven Honeycutt, Kevin Littler, Everett Milspaugh, Jacob Mullins, Reese Perkins, Ayla Raines, Kaitlyn Wojciechowski.

Third Grade – Mrs. Street

Jennifer Cronk, Kenneth Hamilton, Alicia Long, Kortney O'Bryan, Zachary Yax.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Gursky

Vanessa Bishop, Derrian Cooley, Raymond Halimon, Sherrod Mack, Brandon Mahon, Shawn Rogers, Robert Tomlinson.

Fourth Grade – Mr. Jastrzab

Travis Bergam, Jordan Frayer, Dayna Hearod, Ashley Herren, Briyonne Holt, Miranda Sapp, Thomas VanAssche, John Watts.

Fifth Grade – Mrs. Kline

Christopher Adams, Marissa Barlow, Dai'Janae Byers-Davis, Darrin Crawford, Andrew Ferguson, Sarah Freeman, Michael Green, Robert Hayes, Courtnee Johnson, Emily Lewkowicz, Jesse McGrane, Aaron Myles, Allison Scanlon, Jennifer Sylvester.

Fifth Grade – Ms. Napolitano

Aprell Arthur, Caitlyn Britz, Christopher Britz, Ciera Crout, Yancey George, Rodney Halimon, Jacob Heil, Kelsey Sharrow, Amanda Wagle.

Sixth Grade – Mr. Baty

Brandon Gregg, Joseph Herbert, Breana Keels, Kyle Linderman, Shawn Reeves, Bradley Sapp, Rebecca Ward, Sheila Watts.

Sixth Grade – Mr. Blackburn

Beizhonn Davis, Megan Harris, Donald Myles, John Nathaniel, David Plank, Kelly Ragay, Sheila Reeves, Christopher Reyna, Brianna Shreve, Ashley Wagle.

Grades K–3 – Ms. Montague

Emmanuel Boykins-Harris, Gabrielle Davis, Lashay Garrett, Michael Kerr.

Grades 4–6 – Mr. Legg

Shannon Burke, Lawrence Dawson.

Cory Elementary

PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL

Students on the Principal's Honor Roll at Cory Elementary School received all A's.

Third Grade – Ms. Hartman

Neelege Watson.

Third Grade – Ms. Watson

Cheyenne Chapman, Macee Logerstedt.

Fifth Grade – Mr. Commander

Brittany Forbes, Briana Glenn, Dairrein Searcy.

Fifth Grade – Ms. Roberts

DaJuan Partee, Jonathan Stone.

Sixth Grade – Mr. Grange

Cieara Franklin, Nadia Watson.

Sixth Grade – Ms. Miller

Brooke Tanner, Krystal Wegrzyn.

HONOR ROLL

Third Grade – Ms. Hartman

Larlee Cohen, Megan Davis, Sargentina Robinson, Kanisha Wallen, Andrew Wells-Wilkins.

Third Grade – Ms. Watson

Denford Briscoe, Alizé Butler, Ruby Chacon, Darnell Fields, Briana Harrison, Kimberly Stone, Daijha Williams.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. D. Pluff

Chyanne Ballard, Andrianna Barden, Meagan Bratcher, Shawnta Hamby, Kayte Nickel, Azia Riley, Courtney Thomas, Emily Toby.

Fifth Grade – Mr. Commander

Valerie Crawford, Zachary Curry, Michael Henich, Courtnee Kennedy, Bianca Robinson, Kaessi Torres, Onja-Lesse Warren, Ronald Whitehead, Zachary Williams.

Fifth Grade – Mrs. Price

Jordan Ditsch, Tyler Lincoln, DeAndre Thompson, Corey Wilson.

Fifth Grade – Ms. Roberts

Luke Blum, Tiffany Cummings, Brittany Glenn, Brooke Grahm, Brittini Hillard, Zoatta Hogan, Benjamin Hojnowski, Cailyn Mines, Chelsea Thomas.

Sixth Grade – Mr. Grange

Motunrola Emanuel, Dominique Holmes, Anthony Johnson, Charlena Mabry, Shauree Reed, Emmanuel Sanders.

Sixth Grade – Ms. Miller

Ammie Gordon, Caitlynn Lefler, Amber Sears, Kierstyn Slatinsky, Destiny Swanigan.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Kindergarten – Mrs. Brennan

Imani Askew, Benny Fuentes, Chelsi Hillard, Caleb Melchor, Asia Price, Bruce Raczynski, Emily Spielman, Katrina Wilson.

First Grade – Ms. K. Pluff

Shayla Brown, Kaylan Carter, Terisha Enos, Dystiny Green, Luke Hojnowski, Dylan Powell.

Second Grade – Mrs. Askew

Ashleigh Bennett, Misty Briscoe, Edward Hillard, Denver Hojnowski, Gabrielle Miller.

Second – Mrs. McGlynn

Briana Bohannon, Kayla Bryk, Chris Hopkins, Levell Keys, Gary Logerstedt, De'Ante Ross-Springer, Kelsey Wegrzyn.

Third Grade – Ms. Hartman

Darian Cottle, Megan Davis, Kanisha Wallen, Caniya Wilson.

Third Grade – Ms. Watson

Alizé Butler, Ruby Chacon, Darnell Fields, Macee Logerstedt, Blake Milhouse, Paige Olson, Kayala Smith.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. D. Pluff

Andrianna Barden, Breonna Bratchelor, Shawnta Hamby, Chavez Hare, Kayte Nickel, Nekeya Pinkston, Emily Toby, Lukeia Williams.

Fifth Grade – Mr. Commander

Angelique Blackmon, Kyra Crawford, Valerie Crawford, Zachary Curry, Briana Glenn, Khalil Hamilton, Courtnee Kennedy, Kahrah Noel, Bernard Polzin, Sara Sandy, Dairrein Searcy, Zachary Williams.

Fifht Grade – Mrs. Price

Franchella Foreman, Demetrius Holmes, Tyler Lincoln, Terrence Price, Lorane Rendon, DeAndre Thompson, and Corey Wilson.

Fifth Grade – Ms. Roberts

Precious Fletcher, Lakisha Foreman, Brittni Hillard, Benjamin Hojnowski, Derek Sears, Jonathan Stone, Chelsea Thomas, De'Andre Washington, Les'Cia Watkins.

Sixth Grade – Mr. Grange

Willie Brown, Motunrola Emanuel, Anthony Johnson, Briana Jones, Charlena Mabry, Micheline Miller, Shauree Reed, Nadia Watson.

Sixth Grade – Ms. Miller

Ashleigh Cofield, Jasmine Harris, Caitlynn Lefler, Aaron Little, Michelle Miller, Juwan Pigee, Amber Sears, Kierstyn Slatinski, Destiny Swanigan, Brooke Tanner, Shavon Washington.

Halecreek Elementary

HONOR ROLL

Fifth Grade – Mrs. Fuss

Kyle Frazier, Steven Leppen, Chaunice Little, Kirsty MacDonald, Sarah Orr, Crystal Poet, Tara Radford, Joanna Rogers, Malita Rutherford.

Fifth Grade – Mr. Salhaney

Kyle Alongi, Stephanie Andrew, Amber Bailey, Josh Damron, Chelsie Druyor, Tiffany Eldrington, Cory Flagg, Kelly McGlynn, Rachel Stanley.

Sixth Grade – Ms. Hirchert

Amanda Bowie, Dimitrius Clark, Tamara Garrison, LaKaiya Goodwin, Kevin Huanosta, Jazmyn Jones, Courtney Jordan, Kaylynn LaBean, Brittany Little, Daniel Lucaj, Chelsea McDiarmid, Ryan McLachlan.

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Romulus Community Schools Students Honored for Academics, Attendance

Sixth Grade – Ms. Sims

Aaron Bailey, Phillip Crook, Tierra Garrison, Shelby Hardrick, Destiny Hood, Danielle Lucaj, Desiree Watt.

Merriman Elementary

ALL A's

Third Grade – Mrs. Doane

Ashley Louser, Brianna Louser, Michael St. Jacques, Rabia Sheikh, Mercedes Williams.

Third Grade – Mrs. Graham

Jordan Genigeski.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Misiak

Cierra Toliver.

Fourth Grade – Ms. Fitch

Nathan Wilkerson.

Fifth Grade – Ms. Blake

Justice Ghivan, Olivia Madison, Erik Radford, Fatima Sheikh.

Fifth Grade – Mrs. Lhiva

Danielle Doyle, Ryan Genigeski, Nan Sheikh, Aaminah Siddiqui.

Sixth Grade – Ms. Austin

Chance Dunigan.

Sixth Grade – Mrs. Bradlee

Semaja Ford, Holly Henry, Kazam Sheikh, Josh Thomas, Ciara Turner.

HONOR ROLL

Third Grade – Mrs. Doane

Cody Foster, David Harrington, Jasmine Harrington, Joshua Harris, Tikia Houston, Ivonne Lewis, Martaze Mathews, Rebecca Nowicki, Quiara Perry, Ashley Robinson, Anthony Wiggins.

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Third Grade – Mrs. Graham

Gwendolyn Block, Jason Card-Westley, Janette Gula, Savannah Henry, Dominic Pena, Kyle Stevens, David Strickland, Courtney Thompson.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Misiak

Nichelle Baker, Najea Brown, Tayneisha Eaton, Jennifer Lukas, Shavontae Melchor, Rayven Rodgers, Nicholas Shotwell, Shaina Smith, Sadie Trammell, Marquese Williams, Jennifer Workman.

Fourth Grade – Ms. Fitch

Joshlyn Booth, Sarena Dillon, Nashad Hill, Alisha Menser, Jacob Segur.

Fifth Grade – Ms. Blake

Donnell Brewer, Kara Delay, DaJalon Ellis, Brittany Farmer, Chelsea Foster, Taylor Hardoin, Michael Harrington, Breaonna Kelly, Breanna McClellan, Elisha McRoy, Diamond Smith, Britani Strickland, Jacolyn Summerville, Seth Urban, Britton Williamson.

Fifth Grade – Mrs. Lhiva

Rion Bell, Amille Black, Tiffany Brookins, Natasia Campbell, Kiwanis Chestnut, Nicole Coffey, Shyla Harbin, Jaren Mayotte, Gregory McCloud, Lucas Molic, Kyle Thompson.

Sixth Grade – Ms. Austin

Rachele Bovee, Charelle Brewer, Victoria Chatmon, Demetri Clanton, Aaron Dismuke, Ashley Strickland, Cody Szostek, Trina Thomas, Zach Toilolo.

Sixth Grade – Mrs. Bradlee

Franklin Brantley, Courtney Blakeney, Nate Bolduc, Levan Card-Westley, Corinthia Clayton, Kelly DeFrank, Derrick Hunt, Damion Hunter, Mary Kelly, Shakiah Ready, Robert Taylor.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Kindergarten – Mrs. Smith

Cory Coffey, Aubrey Dillon, Brooke Golden, Emily Golden, Kelsea Green, Colin McWilliams, DaJon Nash, Johnny Toliver, Mariah Turner, Mariaha Williams.

Kindergarten – Mrs. Whalen

Ajhaun Davis, Kayle Straub.

First Grade – Ms. Goulette

Ashleigh Blair, Mariah Borders, Jarell Crawford, Tayuanna Eaton, Cody Howington, Pryce Lee, Austin Louk, William Melchor, Dimetrius Reed, Bianca Tabb, Anthony Taylor, Brooke Waldon.

First Grade – Ms. Knight

Jasmine Harkins, Nikol Ray, Amanda Segur, Gabrielle Walton, Malik Yeamen.

Second Grade – Ms. Prisco

Nickolas Bovitz, Diamond Bush, Malik Carter, Angela Day, Gerald Golden, Sammy Gulley, Malaysia Hayes, Tornicia Jones, Kayla Menser, Keyshawn Pope, Rashid Siddiqui, Joshua Smith, Shanya Sturdivant, Jeremy Thomas.

Second Grade – Mrs. Terwilliger

Timothy Booth, Kierstyn Burns, Taylor Cobb, Matthew Freeman, Malik Garris, Anthony Godbott, Andrew Gula, Jessica James, Marcus Madison, Zachary Maldonado, Brelyn Mecks, Nakia Morgan, DeShawn Pickett, Paige Stewart, Shala Thomas, Drew Wilkerson.

Third Grade – Mrs. Doane

Robert Brown, Cody Foster, Joshua Harris, Tikia Houston, Rebecca Nowicki, Quiara Perry, Austin Ressler, Ashley Robinson, Quentin Robinson, Rabia Sheikh, Chris Williams, Mercedes Williams.

Third Grade – Mrs. Graham

André Brown, Jason Card-Westley, Amonté Clayton, Taywon Eaton, Jordan Genigeski, India Graham, Janette Gula, Savannah Henry, Aarinicia Hightower, Alexis McGraw, Dominic Pena, Emily Revels-Spencer, Kyle Stevens, David Strickland, DeJenay Walker.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Misiak

Nichelle Baker, Najea Brown, Douglas Carvey, Dameon Curry, Tayneisha Eaton, Angela Langston, Eric Lightsey, Jennifer Lukas, Rayven Rogers, Nicholas Shotwell, Shaina Smith, Cierra Toliver, Marquese Williams.

Fourth Grade – Ms. Fitch

Amy Best, Tre'Shun Bell, Joshlyn Booth, Jason Cooke-Thomason, Na'Shelle Hill, Martaz Kirkwood, Alisha Menser, Jacob Segur, Nathan Wilkerson.

Fifth Grade – Ms. Blake

Donnell Brewer, Dominique Ellis-Dorr, Chelsea Foster, Taylor Hardoin, Breaonna Kelly, Olivia Madison, Devonte Nelson, Fatima Sheikh, Britani Strickland, Ishaya Vanover.

Fifth Grade – Mrs. Lhiva

Robert Brewer, Kiwanis Chestnut, Karen Cline, Danielle Doyle, Monique Ellis-Dorr, Ryan Genigeski, Shyla Harbin, Alesha Howington, Cameron Reaves, Nan Sheikh, Steven Trent, Mariah Warren, NaTasha White.

Sixth Grade – Ms. Austin

Charelle Brewer, Demetri Clanton, Shaquille Collins, Aaron Dismuke, Russell Gordon, Jonathon Harris, Tyrell Millender, Aquia Nelson, Devonte Nelson, Ashley Strickland, Cody Szostek.

Sixth Grade – Mrs. Bradlee

Courtney Blakeney, Nate Bolduc, Levan Card-Westley, Kelly DeFrank, James Fox, Holly Henry, Derrick Hunt, Mary Kelly, Shakiah Ready, Kazam Sheikh, Robert Taylor, Ciara Turner, Henry Young.

Romulus Elementary

HIGH HONORS

Fifth Grade

Keli Boyd.

Sixth Grade

Pamie Fortson, Karli Gibson, Justin Jadzinski.

HONOR ROLL

Fourth Grade

Yasmeenah Al-Haider, Breonna Blakely, Jessica Brown, Tiffany Brown, LaToya Colvin, Timothy Gannon, Eddie Hitchings, Daria Jackson, Jenafir Kennedy, Michelle Kincer, Amanda Linnert, Braxton Maillette, Symone Martin, Fred McAnally, Jayne McClellan, Steven Nemeth, James Newbill, Averianna Richey, Andrea Ross, Willie Sledge, Chelsea Smith, Jade Stuart.

Fifth Grade

Tyler Anderson, James Boler, Ashley Cribbs, Brittany Francis, Daijon Frazier, Victoria Johnson, Jasmine Kosmalski, Brittani Lincoln, Candace Reid, Dana Robinson, Diontae Shipp, Victoria Taylor, Adrianna Williams.

Sixth Grade

Chanel Anderson, Brittney Blackburn, Cyle Hahn, Antonette Hemphill, Alexis Johnson, David Kelly, Ashley Linnert, Victoria Mangham, Victoria Newell, Cassie Rice, Cherra Ross, Geridan St. Peter, Dane Snowball, Dayza Washington-Adams, Amber White.

CITIZENSHIP

First Grade

Larissa Bailey, Victoria Fields, Sarah Kuczynski.

Second Grade

Jayla Barker, Kenneth Bayer, Elantra Bradford, Kasey Burgess, Stacy Kuczynski, Mechelle Lewis, Raynard Pouncy, Emily Prevaux, and Deiona Streeter.

Fourth Grade

Breonna Blakely, Tiffany Brown, Delilah Ferris, Crystal Hart, Michelle Kincer, Symone Martin, Jayne McClellan, James Newbill.

Fifth Grade

James Boler, Cali Burks, Bryant Kicks, Shakera Johnson, Victoria Johnson, Brittani Lincoln, Candace Reid, TaMar Reynolds, Gary Sadler, Andrea Shiffer, Kayla Speith, Danisha Streeter.

Sixth Grade

Cyna Bennett, Danielle Cox, Mariah Dodds, Cyle Hahn, Michela Harris, Antonette Hemphill, Justin Jadzinski, Alexis Johnson, Julie Kopenhafer, Ashley Linnert, Victoria Mangham, Keoni Mundi, Victoria Newell, Ashley Nichols, Brittany Piro-Capen, Cassie Rice, Adriana Roberts, Janae Russell, Scott Terry, Amanda Tucker, Dominique Wallace, Amber White.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Kindergarten

Karriem Abdullah, Cristina Brown, Jordan Craig, Cody Damron, Jesse Dennis, Jason Ford, Siaye Housten, Shane Moore, Chase Patterson, Jerrick Peterson, Xcentric Sammuels, Joseph Sperry.

First Grade

Alexus Burrell, Alexis Carswell, Cedric Cox, Cory Hicks, Brianna Madison, Laurel Marciniak, Devain Osborne, Bryan Smith-Mitchell, Tenaya South, Bradley Swistara, Dwayne Trout, Alena Washington, Alejandra Wells, William Wilson, Damiah Woodmore, Jamal Yarbrough.

Second Grade

Jayla Barker, Elantra Bradford, Demonte Brown, Brendan Gibson, Damon Groh, Porche Hall, Ticora Harris-Sampson, Ashleigh Kendrick, Jacob Lynch, Jesse McAnally, Roderick Peterson, Emily Prevaux, Joslyn Priddy, Tiyona Scott, Joseph Shepard, Karyna Smith, Deiona Streeter, Alex Trout, Kayla Tucker, Chris White, Javonna Williams.

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Community Calendar

- **Holiday Services at St. Paul's** – St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church (located at the corner of Craig and Ellis streets in New Boston) is hosting the following services during the holiday season: ***Midweek Advent Suppers/ Services*** (Wednesdays at 7 p.m. from December 3 through December 17); ***Children's Christmas Program*** (Wednesday, December 24, at 6 p.m.); ***Christmas Eve Candlelight Service w/Holy Communion*** (Wednesday, December 24, at 10 p.m.); ***Christmas Day Service w/Holy Communion*** (Thursday, December 25, at 10 a.m.); and ***New Year's Eve Service w/Holy Communion*** (Wednesday, December 31, at 7 p.m.). Everyone is welcome.
- **Local Improv Group To Perform** – "Project 2" – a local improvisational comedy group featuring Romulus firefighters John Thiede and Jason Pittman, as well as fellow company members Julie Morris, Nicole Neuman, and Mark Foster – will perform at Nik's Bar & Grill (31222 Ecorse Road) on Wednesday, December 3, at 8 p.m. No cover charge.
- **Democratic Clubs Host Christmas Party** – The Romulus Democratic Club and the Southwestern Wayne Democratic Club are joining together to host their third annual Christmas Party, to be held at UAW Hall/Local #174 (29841 Van Born) on Thursday, December 4. Cocktails (6 p.m.) and dinner (7 p.m.) will be followed by an evening of dancing to DJ selections. Tickets for the BYOB event are $20 per person/$35 per couple. Attendees are also asked to bring a toy or can of food for charity. For information, call (734-941-3513) or page (734-360-2232) Jack H. Trumble, Romulus Democratic Club president.
- **Fish Dinner at St. Paul's Church** – St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church (located at the corner of Craig and Ellis streets in New Boston) is inviting everyone to stop in between 5 and 7 p.m. on Friday, December 5, for a delicious fish dinner featuring baked or fried cod, fries, macaroni & cheese, vegetable, cole slaw, roll, dessert, and beverage. (Carry-out also available.) Cost is just $7 for a two-piece dinner, or $8 for a three-piece meal. For more information, call the church at 734-753-9048.
- **Bluegrass Concerts** – Four generations of ladies host bluegrass music performances at the Wayne County Raccoon Hunters' Club (37816 Wick Road, west of Wayne Road) each Sunday from 3 to 6 p.m. "Country dinners," hot dogs, hamburgers, snacks, soft drinks, and coffee are always available. Admission to this family-oriented-fun event is $6 per person for ages 12 and up; free for children under 12. Everyone welcome.
- **Open Swimming at RHS** – Now through December 23, the Romulus Community Schools will offer open swimming at the High School (9650 South Wayne Road) each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 6 to 8:30 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. For more information about fees and rules, please call 734-532-1950.
- **Teen Pregnancy Prevention Group Meets** – The next meeting of the Romulus Teen Pregnancy Prevention Partnership (RTP3) will be held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 17, in Room 507 at Romulus High School (9650 South Wayne Road). All meetings are open to the public.
- **Women's Chorus Seeks New Members** – County Connection Chorus, a women's *a capella* group affiliated with Sweet Adelines, meets each Tuesday at 7 p.m. at UAW Local #898 (8975 Textile Road, Ypsilanti). Women interested in receiving free vocal lessons are encouraged at attend. The chorus specializes in four-part barbershop harmony with a repertoire that includes Broadway classics, pop, gospel, and barbershop standards. For further information, visit www.sweetadelines.org or call 734-480-8843.
- **Preschool Has Openings** – Huron Countryside Co-op Nursery – located at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church (19109 Craig Street, New Boston) – currently has openings available in its three- and four-year-old classes. Children enrolled at the nursery are exposed to art, music, exercise, and field trips, and are encouraged in various skills such as verbal expression. For more information about HCCN, please call Julie Martin: 734-654-1356.
- **Romulus Church of God Announces Service Times** – Romulus Church of God (located at 8770 South Wayne Road) invites the public to attend their weekly services (Sundays at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesdays at 7 p.m.) as well as their children's programs: Kids for Christ (Sundays at 10:30 a.m.) and Kids Praise (Saturdays from 12 to 2 p.m.). For info, call 734-729-7243.

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Barth Conferences

(From left) Lori Russell, a first-grade teacher at Barth Elementary, and Kristen Ellis, Russell's student teacher from Eastern Michigan University, talked with student Alisha Parks and Lynette Rutledge about Alisha's excellent report card during the school's parent-teacher conferences.

Barth student Jesse Sanden (right) gave a cookie to classmate Branden Gregg at the conference.

Barbara Ann Snyder (left), co-parent coordinator at Barth, talked to parent Salene DeFelice and her son Spencer about the Student-Parent-School Compact.

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Third Grade

Porscha Brantley, Samantha Cormack, Sean Crawford, Capri Dover, Briana Dye, Jaylin Gregory, Yejideh Hatten, Kayla Jackson, Lauren Kelsaw, Jonathan Linnert, Jordan McGraw, Kayla Patterson, Sabrina Sproles, Daniel Stamp, Destiny Terry, Keith Zavitz.

Fourth Grade

Yasmeenah Al-Haidar, Tiffany Brown, Timothy Gannon, Arthur Gibson, Tenario Golden, Eddie Hitchings, Anjelica Horn, Daria Jackson, Dasja Jackson, Jenafir Kennedy, Jessika Kennedy, Allen Lavender, Kevin Makela, Symone Martin, Victor Mangham, Fred McAnally, James Newbill, Ashley Patten, Averianna Richey, ZaaKirah Roper, Andrea Ross, Allante Smith, Chelsea Smith, Dustin Stamp, Ashley Swistara, Shaywan Whitlow, Shavonna Wilkins.

Fifth Grade

Tyler Anderson, Keli Boyd, Cali Burks, Shakylia Carpenter, Dawad Danner, Felicia Dean, Brittany Francis, Tazonda Gibbs, Eramae Gibson, Janaé Harville, Bryant Hicks, Julian Johnson, Jessica Jones, Jamar Love, Dasha Melchor, Katelyn Moon, Dylan Parrott, Antwoniq Roberts, Tamar Reynolds, Gary Sadler, Shauntia Sanford, Diontae Shipp, Damisha Spann, Victoria Taylor, Antoniece Toliver, Billayna Wells, Adrianna Williams.

Sixth Grade

Chyna Bennett, Brittany Blackburn, Ajah Brown, Matthew Buehrle, Pamie Forston, Gregory Gardner, Jr., Travon Gee, Karli Gibson, Thad Gibson, David Gulley II, Cyle Hahn, Antonette Hemphill, Justin Jadzinski, Alexis Johnson, Brandon LaPrise, Ashley Linnert, Richard Makela, Victoria Mangham, Da'Ron Marks-Ford, Keoni Mundy, Zachary Nastel, Victoria Newell, Adriana Roberts, Cherra Ross, Ja'Nae Russell, Geridan St. Peter, Chateva Scales, Scott Terry, Richard Vaughn, Dominique Wallace.

Wick Elementary

ALL A's

Third Grade – Mrs. Albus

Alicia Adams, Maya Davis, Jada Rachal, Chelsea Shellman, Matthew Stoian.

Third Grade – Mrs. Barnes

Levi Eddings, Jeremy Horne, Kyia Walker, Brenaé Weaver, Kyle Williams.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Alguire

Bram Adams, Caleb Hare, Nicole Wilson.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Johnson

Cierra Gasser, Desiree Kassa, Jerry McCray, Jonathan Proctor.

Fifth Grade – Mrs. Friebel

Loren Adams, Carman Plank.

Fifth Grade – Mr. Gibb-Randall

Diamond Chandler, Anthony James.

Sixth Grade – Mrs. Redmond

Zachary Beregsasy.

Sixth Grade – Ms. Richard

Jason Moore.

HONOR ROLL

Third Grade – Mrs. Albus

Dejá Arrington, Andrea Bruno, Jillian Camilleri, Shakari Cummings, Ciara Dawson, Jasmine Ellison, Lorenzo Mosley, Bradley Nairemore, Nikky Smith, Brent Zimmerman.

Third Grade – Mrs. Barnes

Nancy Burcroff, Danielle Davis, Megan Dotson, Christopher Hampton, Louise Hood, Asia Lately, Alven Littell, Kylie Melville, Kalen Smith, Neacha Williams, Tiffany Woolford.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Alguire

Olivia Colbert, Aaliya Eatmon, William McGinnis, Bryan Moore, Kyah Riley.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Johnson

Aaron Hicks, Latreice Hicks, Elexus Lee, Earl Smith.

Fifth Grade – Mrs. Friebel

Renesha Chandler, Shealyn Melville, Jeffrey Robertson, Robert Snyder, Eric Wands, Tiara Woody.

Fifth Grade – Mr. Gibb-Randall

Brieanna Boyd, Natalia Brown, Talen Brown, Benjamin Camilleri, Dylan Dotson, Bryan Moore, Jaiana Powers, Monae Riley, Chelsea Roper, Sierra Smith, Nicholas Tripp, Bréana West, Kaela Williams.

Sixth Grade – Mrs. Redmond

Beatrice Boyd, DeAndray Buckley, Darrius Bumpers, Dominique Carroll, Martel Ellis, Seth Gasser, Briyana Hall, Alex Hicks-Gregory, Erica Hulet, Taylor Johnson, Ayonna Lawrence, Stuart Nairemore, Quanyaria Story, Ashlee Wade.

Sixth Grade – Ms. Richard

Elea'ele Buford, LeAnne Dawson, Steven Destrampe, Andrew Phillips, Alec Staten, Ashley Watley.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Kindergarten – Ms. Maironis

Marissa Eldridge, Armoni Horton, Hailee Schultz, Jaye'Lynn Shaw.

Kindergarten – Mrs. Wood

Marlon Legion, Sasha Slone, Micah Sullivan, Mariah Vesey.

First Grade – Ms. Forth

Sharniora Buford, De'Shawn Cole, Marché Ellis, Nicholas Grantham, Kaytlin Greca, Mickayla Lytle, Nicholas Proctor, Amaniye Taylor, Lucas Toler, Christina Wells, Damon Williamson, Jordan Wright.

First Grade – Mrs. Otis

Avery Gray, Bryona Jones, Maurica Mathews, Dontae Sumlin, Jadea Watson, Jayla Williams, Damien Williamson.

Second Grade – Mrs. Hurst

Bianca Buckley, Achlee Fultz, Tyron Hamby, Jerrod Horton, Reginald Johnson, Jaquan Jones, Demetrius Litsey.

Second Grade – Ms. Williams

Makaila Claypool, Charles Cole, Rachel Funderburg, Christopher Greca, Maria Holman, Ashley Lamoureaux, Rachel Leonard, Marquel Small, Tiara Webb.

Third Grade – Mrs. Albus

Alicia Adams, Dejá Arrington, Jevon Claypool, Shakari Cummings, Kendra Curlee, Maya Davis, Ciara Dawson, Dwayne Lately, Lorenzo Mosley, Bradley Nairemore, Jada Rachal, Hannah Williams.

Third Grade – Mrs. Barnes

Levi Eddings, Christopher Hampton, Sydné Higginbotham, Louise Hood, Jeremy Horne, Michael Latona, Destiny Lytle, Kalen Smith, Neacha Williams.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Alguire

Aaliyah Eatmon, Robert Geter, William McGinnis, Bryan Moore, Kyah Riley, Kaylan Robb.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Johnson

Erik Brantley, Nicole Crenshaw, Cierra Gasser, Aaron Hicks, Elexus Lee, Samantha Modrzynski, Charlemagne Peake, Latosha Price, Earl Smith, Marquis Thomason.

Fifth Grade – Mrs. Friebel

Loren Adams, Alex Carter, Renesha Chandler, Devon Jacquay, Kadijah Jones, Antonique Mosley, Moneisha Thomas, Jasmine Williams, Todd Wade, Eric Wands.

Fifth Grade – Mr. Gibb-Randall

Robert Ames, Brandon Brown, Diamond Chandler, Jailen Claypool, Dylan Dotson, Michael Householder, Anthony James, Jamal Kent, Raven Parnell, Jaiana Powers, Monae Riley, Chelsea Roper, Erica Ross, Nicholas Tripp, Bréana West.

Sixth Grade – Mrs. Redmond

Zachary Beregsasy, Beatrice Boyd, Kevin Bray, DeAndray Buckley, Darrius Bumpers, Trevell Campbell, Dominique Carroll, Martel Ellis, Seth Gasser, Chelson Gober, Antonio James, Alaysa Kwek, Ayonna Lawrence, Jamarco Stephens, Josh Taylor, Ben Williams.

Sixth Grade – Ms. Richard

Neko Barker, Steven Bray, Elea'ele Buford, Demond Davis, Marcus Davis, Tia Evans, Sheldon Gage, Kyana Lee, Brandi Mitchell, Andrew Phillips, Chelsea Price, Jerrell Rusan, Ashley Watley, Jasmine Whitman, Derrick Williams.

Romulus Middle School

ALL A's

Seventh Grade

Derek Bennett, Melissa Dufore, Stormy Eldrington, Travis Griffin, Jessica Sylvester, Samantha Watson.

Eighth Grade

Rachel Arthur, Heather Bavol, Chelsea Earby, Leanna Pioli.

HONOR ROLL

Seventh Grade

Jasmine Abney, Levi Adams, Lauren Alley, Christine Amis, Shanice Anderson, Samantha Bankey, Cody Barnes, Jazmine Bass, Britnee Bishop, Filmore Bouldes, Faraje Bragg, Jamie Brewer, Kevin Brown, Raheem Brown, Ajohna Bryant, Krystal Burrell, Kathyrne Card, Erinanna Carter, Tina Carter, Meriah Chapman, Brittany Charleston, Lindsey Cobb, Rodney Cofield, Tanikka Coleman, John Collins, Michael Connolly, Jessica Cronk, Toni Cross, Nicholas Curry, Timothy Dalton, Markis Darden, Don Davis, Emily Davis, Kenneth Davis, Lachelle Devoe, Arianna Diebel, Kayla Dizney, Emily Doyle, David Ellis, Jordan Farmer, Ashley Fitzpatrick, David Forbush, Kathryn Forth, Jamie Foster, Matthew Franklin, DiChelle Freeman, Christina Gillespie, Shelby Green, Melissa Griffith, Melissa Groce, Brianna Grover, Kelsey Hadyniak, Megan Hammonds, Chelsea Hay, Gary Hemmingway, Erica Herren, DeShawna Hill, Joshua Hill-Barnes, Tanesha Hill-Harris, Ashlee Hood, Joshua Horne, Kyle Huckestein, Earl Hunt, Sarah James, Brandon Kelly, Derek Kinney, Katie Koester, Christopher Kreitner, Michael Lammers, Donovan Little, Hailey Mangrum, Brandyn Martin, Felicia Martin, Kelly Mays, James McGlynn, Alexis Moore, Stephanie Mortzfield, Tamica Mosley, Asia Moton, Gary Nemeth, Randall Norfleet, Cheyenne Oakley, Christina Ottenbreit, Byron Paisley, Antoiné Patterson, Candace Poet, Justin Poet, Raynal Pouncy, Joshua Radford, Raymond Reed, Camille Reid, Velencia Revels, Tiffany Rideout, Alexis Riley, Raven Robertson, Brittany Rodgers, Amanda Roehrich, Juanita Rose, Dominique Ross, Richard Rutherford, Holly Schonscheck, Donnavin Searcy, Narjis Sheikh, Nigerrea Simpson, Miranda Snyder, Chelsea Stafford, William Steele, Breonn Stephens, Andreaus Tatum, Christopher Thomas, Adam Thornsbury, Kaela Torres, Loren Townes, Brittany Turner, Chelsea Tyree, Sharonda Vesey, Ryan Wade, Latisha Ware, Erik Washington, Sha'Quita Waters, Mary Watts, Sam Wells, Alise Whalen, Derrick White, Kanaya Williams, Makayla Williams, Amanda Zavitz, Mariah Zockheem.

Eighth Grade

Shontez Akins, Cody Bailey, Antoine Baines, Tony Barrios, Michael Behnke, Latanya Bellinger, Barbara Bidwell, Jordan Bowden, Marwin Boyd, Erin Bragg, Caren Brock, Jasmine Brown, Dominique Buckley, Dean Burcroff, Latiesa Burnett, Tiffani Cannon, Tiffany Clark, Jasmine Colquitt, Tiffany Conradson, Bianca Courtland, Brian Cummings, Jonathon Daugherty, Matthew Destrampe, Brittany Dismuke, Kristen Dubisky, Shaniya Dye, Stacy Fabinski, Fred Forbes, Alfonso Garcia, Kasandra Gray, Kristina Hall, Kourtney Hamilton, Adam Hammond, Maura Harris, Steven Hawes, Jasmine Hollingsworth, Raymond Holt, Anjenette Hood, Gerald Horton, Tanisha Hubbard, Erica Jackson, Tameeka Jackson, Katrina Jadzinski, Alisa James, Bryan Jones, Whitney Kelsey, Justin Kuderik, Kristin Leigh, Rebecca Lewkowicz, Vaughn Liendo, Jacquelyn Logan, Jennifer Logan, Brittney Losacco, Dalisa Marke, Valencia Mathews, Miranda McDiarmid, Amanda Menser, Alecia Morgan, Arielle Morgan, Chad Morris, Kyesha Myers, Corey Neely, Alexis Newsome, Christo-

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Sassy Seniors

Mayor Alan R. Lambert discussed pertinent issues with local seniors.

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Linda Norman, senior citizens program coordinator for the City of Romulus Department of Parks and Recreation, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column. (For more information about events at the Romulus Senior Center, located at 36515 Bibbins, call 734-955-4120.)

Mayor Meets with Seniors for Q&A

A November 13 "Q&A Session" at the Romulus Senior Center gave local senior citizens an opportunity to share ideas and concerns with Mayor Alan R. Lambert. The mayor answered questions on a variety of issues, including the December 2 special election on casino gaming and horse racing, traffic lights, road improvements, the Pinnacle Project, shopping, and senior facilities.

Family Christmas

The Senior Center's "Family Christmas" program will be held at Wick Elementary School on Friday, December 12, from 6 to 8 p.m. Grandparents, parents, and children are invited to take part in the event, which will feature a visit with Santa (including a gift for each child), a holiday sing-a-long, a magician, and refreshments. Photos with Santa ($2 each) will also be available.

Although there is no charge to participate in the Family Christmas program, preregistration (at the Senior Center) must be made no later than Friday, December 5.

Holiday Gala

The Romulus Senior Center's annual Holiday Gala will be held at the Double Tree Hotel (31500 Wick Road) on Friday, December 26, beginning at 11 a.m. Tickets – just $10.50 per person – include a delicious lunch, professional DJ entertainment, dancing, and door prizes.

Since seating is limited for this popular event, early sign-up at the Senior Center is highly recommended. No reservations will be accepted after 2 p.m. on Monday, December 15.

Holiday Shopping

The Senior Center van will be traveling to Target on Tuesday, December 2, to take advantage of the store's Senior Day program featuring special discounts, free gift-wrapping, refreshments, and more. The van will depart from the Center at 7:30 a.m.; store doors open at 8 a.m. Participants will have just two hours to shop, so preparation of a shopping list is strongly advised.

Sign up at the Center.

Toiletry Donations Sought

Once gain, the Romulus Senior Center is seeking donations of clean, unused "mini toiletries" for distribution to those in need. Last year, the Center collected enough items to fill 157 bags, and hopes to improve on that total this year.

For further information, please call the Center (734-955-4120) or Ruth Bierl (734-955-2430).

Game Day

Throughout the month of January, the Romulus Senior Center will be hosting a Thursday "Game Day" program. Possible games include dominoes, rummy, pokeno, and bid whist; other suggestions are also welcome. Call the Center with questions or suggestions.

Exercise Classes

Low-impact exercise classes (can be done from a chair) are held at the Romulus Senior Center each Wednesday and Friday from 9 to 10 a.m. Stop in at or call the Center to place your name on the sign-up sheet. (Note: The Senior Center *strongly* recommends that seniors consult a physician before beginning any new exercise program.) ❑

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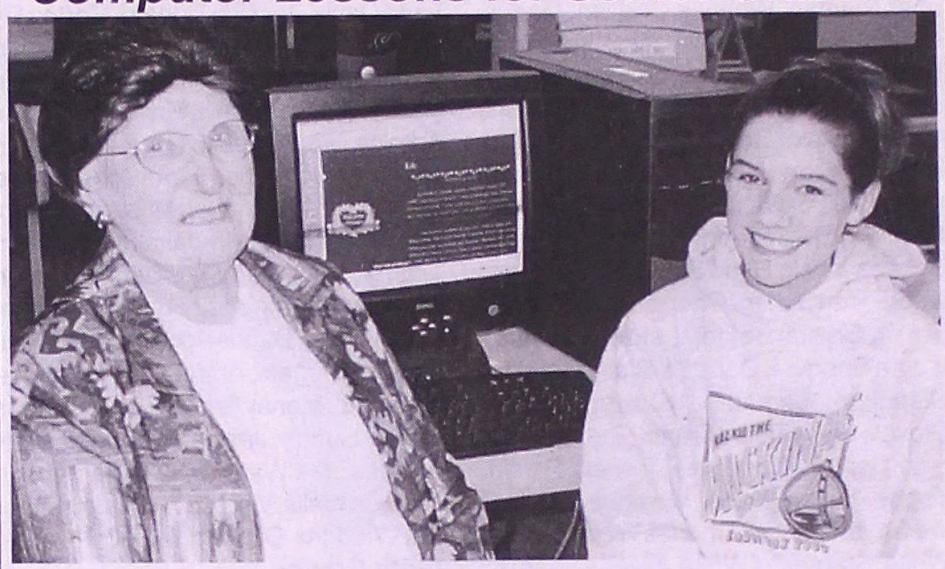

Helen Griffin (left) enjoyed an opportunity to learn about computers from her granddaughter, Romulus High School student Danielle Leader, thanks to a special senior-citizen workshop recently sponsored by RHS business technology teacher Thalia Swint. Griffin was one of a number of local seniors who took advantage of the program.

Ron Coleman Signs with Michigan

Romulus High School basketball star Ron Coleman (front, center) has signed a national letter of intent to play for the University of Michigan. Pictured with the All-State performer are: (from left) front – Jeffrey Robertson (Coleman's uncle) and Nate Oats (head coach, RHS basketball); back – Doug Hoffman (assistant principal, RHS), Jennifer Robertson (Coleman's aunt), Jesse Meriweather (athletic director for the Romulus Community Schools), Don Foley (assistant principal, RHS), and Tom Dolan (curriculum director, RCS).

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Romulus Community Schools Students Honored for Academics, Attendance

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Romulus High School

ALL A'S

Ninth Grade

Jennifer Dick, Jessica Dick, Aurielle McCauley, Jessica Mills, Tamila Myles, Jetaun Robinson, Kevin Stobbe, Brittany Wright.

Tenth Grade

Carla Anderson, Jonathan McLachlan, Ashley Moss, Tiffany Musico.

Eleventh Grade

Kristen Atchley, Jazmine Bennett, Ronnie Brown, Avery Stephenson, Joann Tieppo, Lashonda Windham.

Twelfth Grade

Natalie Blake, Kenneth Booker, Latoya Flint, Randall Frye, Toni Gibson, Sarah Herbert, Jeffrey Hoffman, Roy Hollis, Patrick McCollum, Hanya Ombima, LaJoya Orr, Kristina Rafalski, Britany Sawdy, Sara Schulz, Ricky Staten, Ryan Tackett.

PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL

Students on the Principal's Honor Roll maintained a GPA of 3.5 or better.

Ninth Grade

Shon Aggison, Maurice Anderson, Olivia Berry, Andrew Boyd, Brieana Bray, Katrece Bray, Courtnee Briggs, Kerri Britz, Candice Bruckner, Carletta Carter, Kiara Carter, Roshawnda Caruthers, Katherine Cobb, Stacy Davidson, Kenyatta Davis, Jessica Donald, Cortez Dyess, Dekarele Eldridge, Yetunde Emanuel, Jaclyn Evanski, Tiffany Gray, Sandra Harris, James Hayes, Edwina Jackson, Antoine James, Jessica James, Joy Jendritz, Lisa Johnson, Sarah Johnson, Joseph Kiesznowski, Garrett Lefler, Joseph Lewis, Marvin Lewis, Jakali McClendon, Tiffany McGhee, Maureen McGlynn, Richelle Mortzfield, Ryann Norfleet, Tiffany Penn, Darius Price, Audrey Reed, Angelica Rogers, Amna Sheikh, Jacqueline Smith, Monay Smith, Stacey Sparks, Renea Sperry, Jesse Spicer, Courtney Turner, Erika Wasson, Dakota Watson, Kandice Wells, Vaneshia Williams, Theresa Windom, Desirea Yates.

Tenth Grade

Kathryn Appel, Samantha Arnett-Butscher, Ashley Austin, Megan Bearman, Lindsay Beregsasy, Bradley Bills, Joshua Carroll, Ronald Carter, Mari Clay, Carmen Coleman, Katrina Cutliff, Adam Delay, Katrell Duncan, Alexis Fondren, Brittney Garrison, Doloris Garry, Dean Gilbert, Carl Gillespie, Amber Gondek, Lindsy Green, Samina Haq, Matthew Koester, Jennifer Lammers, Courtney Macdougall, Justin Maupin, Tiffani McCloud, Tiffany Motsch, Chrisma Nathaniel, Amanda Nowicki, Kristine Plank, Jonathan Rafalski, Cecily Ricer, Anne Ross, Patricia Silvey, LaTara Steele, Mary Stewart, Ashlee Wells, Amanda Willingham, Jessica Workman, Lola Wynn.

Eleventh Grade

Latoya Allen, Tiffany Block, Donald Brewer, Monika Burgess, Teela Carroll, Anica Coate, Chrystal Coleman, Levelle Devoe, Crystal Hahn, Katie Hale, Janet Johnson, Lawrence Johnson, Daniel Kinney, William Kolar, Candace Lawrence, Mallori Losacco, Anjelique Moss, Antoinette Nelson, Dijon Piggee, Malcolm Rhodes II, Philip Roscoe, Megan Scott, Sawaira Sheikh, Jessica Shelton, Paulette Stanford, Matthew Steffani, Casey Stevenson, Jeremy Thomason, Samuel Tilmon, Kelvin Valentine, Alecia Walls, Natalie Watt, Lashonda Whitehead, Dant'E Williams, Kimberly Wilson, Brian Woods, Ashley Wright.

Twelfth Grade

Aamer Ahmad, Darnell Anderson, Deborah Anderson, Jamar Bird, Carla Broom, Joshua Brown, Cassie Caldwell, Demarvelous Carter, Ciera Clark, Ronald Coleman, Jerry Collie, Ronny Cornelius, Keisha Cotton, Elliot Craig, Rhiannon Crawford, Christie Davis, Jenessa Deshazor, Jessica Deverich, Tonyetta Dickson, Karrah Duncan, Amanda Eldridge, Lauren Fox, Jessica Frost, Stacey Gilbert, Sabrina Gomes, Stephanie Gurner, Terry Harper, Justin Heins, Constance Kersey, Angela Lewis, Timothy Lewis, Sarah Lindroth, Angela Lukas, Cherise Lundy, Michael Mancine, Muneera Marion, Patrick Miller, Matthew Mortzfield, Ashley Much, Roderick Poole, Nicole Radford, Denisa Rakic, Kristi Rice, Justin Rooding, Ryan Rooding, Cilia Sanchez, Karron Smith, Christopher Speer, Iesha Taylor, Rebecca Thornton, Kristen Townsend, D'Andre Walker, Isaiah Warren, Mark Wheeler, Jurbar Williams, Princess Williams, Reese Williams, Altavia Wilson, Kiera Wilson, Jeremiah Yeager-Hudson.

HONOR ROLL

Students on the Honor Roll maintained a GPA of 3.0 to 3.49.

Ninth Grade

Daniel Allen, Antonio Bailey, Allycia Belcher, Karley Bodis, Jason Britton, Leon Britton, Megan Brooks, Roderick Brown, Michael Bujak, Larhonda Colvin, Jamarie Crawford, Daniel Cross, Joshua Dew, Raymond Dukes, Javon Durr, Jordan Eastman, Jazmine Fears, Carissa Franklin, Georgea Frye, Shalayia Frye, Demaryst Garwood, Carrie Hampton, Rusty Harris, Leslie Hayes, Christina Holton, Michaela Hudson, Jennifer Johnson, Malicia Jones, Justen Kiser, Deanna Kordonis, Steven Krasinski, Rebecca Labo, Marco Little, Alysa Long, Shane Lowrey, Krystal McCloud, Bianca McDavid, Lacey McKiney, Christopher Miller, Myra Miller, Todd Modrzynski, Jassmine Parks, Karen Patterson, Kirk Patterson, Cherica Peoples, Tajana Powers, Lajoya Rush, Brittnee Shreve, Cedric Smith, Courtney Smith, Kevanna Smith, Tariq Stevenson, Siera Stewart, Gloria Sucharski, Mara Thorne, Michelle Watt, Justin White, Lindsey Williamson, Daryl Wilson.

Tenth Grade

Lanunya Averett, Christopher Avery, Ronald Baker, Keianna Banbury, Tondra Bland, Lisa Boteler, Merrika Brown, Landria Buckley, Jennifer Caloia, Darryl Carroll, Jasmine Charles, Tiffany Claiborne, Jason Elwell, Jessica Fox, Bradley Garland, Stephanie Gillham, Jillian Gray, Diamond Hamilton, Brittany Hampton, Whitney Harley, Nedra Harris, Jeannie Hayes, Ashley Horyn, Michael Hudson, Alan Huguley, Sara Hurt, Dawan Jackson, Danielle Keller, Shannon Kowalski, Ronald Kreutzer, Erica Linton, Khristopher Marsh, Krystle McKay, Rhea Parteé, Amber Pouncy, Timothy Reed, Joshua Rivera, Brandon Ross, Thomas Rutherford, Jesica Schaf, Ashley Shaw, Kevin Smith, Krista Smith, Alberta Taylor, Jeffrey Taylor, Jeremy Trevorrow, Monica Wells, Megan Whalen, Lerodd Williams, Stephanie Williams, Teresa Williams, Velon Willis, Brittani Zockheem.

Eleventh Grade

Ummer Ahmad, Shavon Bell, Alicia Bracy, Delilah Brennan, Kelly Bunyak, Antoine Burrell, Justin Chapman, Stacy Coffey, Lamar Davis, Alondra Femster, Charese Ford, Jami Gibes, Anitra Glimps, Ashley Gorkiewicz, Brittany Greogry, Kevin Hamilton, Paris Hawkins, Keith Haynes, Shannell Hemphill, Benjamin Hohman, Keith Holman, Emily Hornfeld, Ergys Hoxha, Alicia Johnson, Lucretia Johnson, Danielle Leader, Jese Lowrey, Amanda McCann, Elizabeth Mongrain, Carolyn Moore, Lindsey Moss, Colleen Mumford, Sheree Murphy, Amanda O'Connor, Jessica Obayan, Casheena Parker, Candace Parsons, Brandon Patrick, Wallace Reynolds, Theresa Rhoden, Hameed Seifuddin, Lindsay Sharp, Ashley Sibby, Shauntya Simon, Jerret Smith, Tiffany Smith, Paul Stanford, Jamie Suiter, Kenise Thompson, Phillip Warren, Jeffres Webb, Brytni White.

Twelfth Grade

Audrey Baskin, Richard Bell, Elizabeth Berry, Nicole Brennan, Charnita Butler, Theresa Chadwick, Raleah Davis, Thomas Drayton, Carissa Drobil, Tia Flemings, Christina Fulton, Ariola Gjikola, Angelitia Gray, Christian Hadden, Novella Haugabook, Rashad Jackson, Aaron King, Jessica Kubicki, Nicole Liendo, Jeremy Linderman, Tiffany McFarland, Nichole Miller, Laurie Moore, Jujuan Mosby, Amber Netter, Krystal Oliver, Gerald Paschal, Nereida Pena, Tyrone Pickens, Lynsie Ransaw, David Reyes, David Rogala, Sarah Schatilo, Adrian Simmons, Aaron Smith, Tanesha Strickland, Patrecia Sucharski, Darlene Swain, Jon Taylor, Amber Treece, Molly Tuttle, Savannah Vankeuren, Darryl Vesey, Ashley Walls, Kyle Wasson, Cherie Whorton, Henry Wiggins, Kendra Williams.

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Obituaries

Leona J. Bondie

Leona J. Bondie of Romulus, Michigan, passed away on Monday, November 17, 2003. She was 71 years old.

The native of Kenova, West Virginia, was born on Sunday, March 20, 1932.

Leona is survived by a son, Donald J. (Lynne) Bondie (New Boston, MI); a brother, Chester Frazier (Addison, MI); a sister, Ethel (Tom) Towry (Hillsdale, MI); 2 grandchildren, Donald (Linda) Bondie, Jr., and Deanna Trese; and 6 great-grandchildren, Julia, Felicia, Eric, Tyler, Nicholas, and Kayla.

Among those predeceasing her were her husband, Donald V. Bondie (1996), and a brother, Jim Frazier, Jr.

A funeral service was held on Thursday, November 20, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus), with Pastor Robert J. White (Grace Baptist Church, Belleville, MI) officiating. Burial was at Romulus Memorial Cemetery.

Juanita L. Garland

Juanita L. Garland of Huron Township, Michigan (formerly of Romulus, MI), passed away on Monday, November 17, 2003, at the age of 73.

Juanita was born on Monday, September 1, 1930, in Calloway County, Kentucky. She worked in the nursery at Calvary Baptist Church – a job she really enjoyed – and also liked to sew and quilt in her spare time.

Among those surviving Juanita are 2 sons, Jerold K. (Donetta) Garland (Romulus) and Ronald A. (Debra) Garland (Romulus); a daughter, Peggy S. (Terry) Hickman (Trenton, MI); 3 brothers, James E. (Katherine) Wyatt (Murray, KY), Harold K. (Lynn) Wyatt (Almo, KY), and Namon (Linda) Wyatt (Nashville, TN); a sister, Hilda (Joepat) Winchester (Murray, KY); 12 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her husband of 57 years, Elzie Eugene Garland; a daughter, Treva Rivest; and a son, Eugene D. Garland.

A funeral service was held on Thursday, November 20, at Calvary Baptist Church (Romulus), with Pastor Marvin Hawbaker officiating. Burial was at Romulus Memorial Cemetery. Arrangements were made by Crane Funeral Home (Romulus).

Frederick S. Wahrman

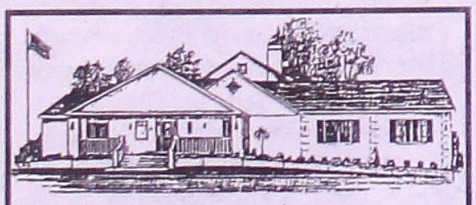
Frederick S. Wahrman of Romulus, Michigan, passed away on Sunday, November 9, 2003. He was 94 years old.

Born in New Boston, Michigan, on Friday, November 13, 1908, Frederick served his country in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge of Belleville, Michigan, and enjoyed fishing, baseball (especially the Detroit Tigers), and, most importantly, spending time with his grandchildren.

Frederick's survivors include his wife, Barbara (Wiggins) Wahrman; 2 daughters, Susan (Jerry) Cichowski (Romulus) and Deborah (Donald) Klug (Kalamazoo, MI); a sister-in-law, Connie Wahrman (FL); 5 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Among those preceding him in death were his parents, William and Bertha (Schaller) Wahrman, and a brother, Albert Wahrman.

A funeral service was held on Thursday, November 13, at Community United Methodist Church (Romulus), with Reverend William Kren officiating. Burial of ashes was at Romulus Memorial Cemetery. Arrangements were made by Crane Funeral Home (Romulus).



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In a recent presentation to the Romulus Board of Education, (from left) Romulus High School media specialist Alberta Garrett and her two aides, Rosalie Berlinn and Leslie McCurdy, were proud to note that RHS students recorded more than 39,000 visits to the media center last year, making use of its 20,000 books, 26 new Dell computers, and 32 new Macintosh computers, as well as digital cameras and camcorders.

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(Back, from left) Romulus Adult/Alternative Education teacher Rob Geyer-Sylvia and students Phil Generazio, Shelby Martin, Aaron Dzierwa, and Holly Solomon listened to a Detroit Institute of Arts guide discuss the Diego Rivera mural seen here.

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